

## PATENT



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Practical Application of:**

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Group Art Unit: 2637

Examiner: Khai Tran

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR RECOVERING INFORMATION FROM A  
MAGNETIC FIELD SIGNAL USABLE FOR LOCATING AN UNDERGROUND OBJECT

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## **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2005 to which a response is due with a two-month extension by April 18, 2005. In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding restriction and allow examination to proceed on all claims pending in the application.

Please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.